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## Response to Office Action

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

The above identified applicant respectfully requests the Commissioner of Patents consider the enclosed remarks and enter the following submission into the record, in response to the Examiner's Office Action dated November 10, 2003. Reconsideration in light of this submission is respectfully requested. If the Examiner requires additional action that may benefit from a telephone call, Applicant invites a call to its attorney of record, Nathan W. Johnson (Reg. No. 44,173). E-mail correspondence and transactions to [NJohnson@BradleyArant.com](mailto:NJohnson@BradleyArant.com) are authorized and encouraged.

**Amendments to the Specification** - None

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on Page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on Page 4 of this paper.

An **Appendix**, annotated drawings correction sheets, is attached as page 10 of this paper.

A **Certificate of Express Mailing** is attached at the end of this paper.